

Vertical Life, Calvary Chapel

Misawa Japan

Mission & Vision Statement: *God's Purpose & Goals directed toward us*



Vertical Life, Calvary Chapel (VLCC) Mission statement:
“Vertical Relationship, Horizontal Love”

First, we are to keep and be a connection point for ourselves/our community to the vertical relationship between man and God. Secondly, reaching out our hands to the horizontal relationships of man with man in full selfless love directing them upward to God.

Exodus 33:18: And he said, “I beseech You, show me **Your** glory”.

Vertical Life, Calvary Chapel (VLCC) Vision statement (*7 pillars particularizing/“fleshing out” our Mission to physical accomplishment*):

1. To see people connect, for the first time, vertically; coming to a saving knowledge & life saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

Matthew 28:16-20

16 Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

2. To focus not on teaching people only, but rather training people to have vertical life connections to dependency & relationship with God in all matters of life & Church; therefore connecting to His power & peace that passes all our understanding & circumstances.

Ephesians 4:12

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ”, through a 1 Corinthians 13:13 lens (v.13 And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.)

Philippians 4:7

7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Jeremiah 18:5-8

5 Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.

6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.

8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

3. To build the vertical, forensic faith of the Believers in the accuracy of the Bible & show how God's comprehensive Word is meaningful to handle the exhaustive issues of daily life.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

2 Timothy 2:15

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

4. To train to have all Counsel given....whether at work or with friends, about politics or handling life problems.... ALL Counsel we give in life must be vertically directed to & filtered through the "Wonderful Counselor" in concept & foundational truthful thought.

Isaiah 9:6

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

1 Peter 2:5-6

5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.

Matthew 7:24

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

Proverbs 23:23

Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

5. To teach believers to vertically defend their faith in a secular age; counteracting religious indoctrinations such as the atheistic/evolutionary nature religion, psychological humanism, & other teachings that faces adults & children alike on a daily basis attacking all that is true.

1 Peter 3:15

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

2 Peter 2:1

1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

Proverbs 14:12

12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

John 14:6

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

6. To horizontally build connections & help engage our & other local congregations into our communities to share the vertical love of Christ in thought, word, & deed.

Ephesians 4:16

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Colossians 3:16-17

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

James 2:17

17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

Matthew 25:40

40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

7. To instruct that all teaching received needs to be verified through the vertical verse-by-verse study of the entire Bible, & that we (as truth seeking Christians) cannot accept what is taught solely based on ones status of position given or earned.

1 John 4:1

4 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Acts 17:10-11

10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews. 11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

Hebrews 4:12

12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.